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### Interview Summary

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c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative)

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If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_.

Claim(s) discussed: 5-13, 15, 18, 23 and 32.

Identification of prior art discussed: N/A.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The examiner and the applicants' representative discussed possible allowable subject matter and the available options for the applicants to take at the current point in time of prosecution; the examiner proposed some suggestions for amendments which would put the application into better condition for allowance given the prior art of record and in further view of additional prior art found (Butturini et al. US-7007171-B1 and Benson et al. US-20020002683-A1).

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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